

Southern California Institute for Future Initiatives

SCIFI at SCI-Arc is an intensive research-based, post-professional degree program and think-tank dedicated to generating pertinent examinations of contemporary city design, city formulation and urban regulation.

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Applications for admission to the 2009–2010 class are due on or before March 4, 2009.

SCIFI is led by Peter Zellner and David Bergman

SCIFI is focused on promoting innovation within design, policy, and planning responses to the economic, social and environmental futures of global cities and regions. SCIFI is dedicated to supporting investigations into the impacts of urban and planning policy, transnational financial markets, real estate speculation, and socio-economic globalization on the evolution of local urban fabrics. As a center for research and discussion, SCIFI bridges the academy, private development and public agencies in order to generate debate and dialogue around the future of cities.

SCIFI Initiatives

SCIFI promotes and extends its academic mission nationally and internationally via its Global Network, Journal, and Public Forums. These aligned activities allow SCIFI to widely broadcast its mission as well as to gain feedback for its efforts.

SCIFI Global Network

The SCIFI Network is a global peer-based academic research council dedicated to supporting SCIFI's academic mission. SCIFI Network members are selected from a field of distinguished practitioners, civic leaders and academics who are exceptionally involved with contemporary urban design issues. The SCIFI Network promotes innovative teaching and content delivery. SCIFI Network members interact with the SCIFI studio via remote web-based conferencing tools thereby providing students with access to a variety of individuals not immediately based in the Los Angeles region.

SCIFI Journal

SCIFI cultivates audiences for its research findings within both academic and professional communities by publishing a semi annual journal. The SCIFI Journal invites professional and academic contributions from individuals from the fields of architecture, urban design, planning, real estate development and city management. The SCIFI Journal also provides a record of the SCIFI Public Forums as well as SCIFI studios' academic research and achievements.

SCIFI Public Forums

Each semester the SCIFI program sponsors a public forum in order to generate debate and dialogue around the future of cities and urban regions. SCIFI's Public Forums provide a means for increasing community interest in the outcomes of the Program's inquiries into the nature of cities and urban development.

1 year (3 Term) Program

Post-professional degree program leading to a Master of Design Research in City Design, Planning and Policy, open to students with a professional degree in Architecture or a Bachelor degree or equivalent in any field. This program requires attendance for the Fall, Spring and Summer terms.

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